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Swaziland Bureau, FBIS

Dear Gerry,

On the occasion of your retirement, I would like to take the opportunity to convey to you the thanks and appreciation of all the FBIS officers with whom you have worked and my personal gratitude for the fine job you have performed over the years. Your work at the East Coast and West Coast bureaus, the Mediterranean Bureau in Cyprus, the Africa Bureau in Nigeria, and Okinawa, Abidjan, Gulf and Mbabane bureaus is well remembered by all those with whom you served.

The Exceptional Accomplishment Award you received in 1984 for your efforts during the energy crisis in Abidjan clearly reflects the importance of your contribution to the FBIS mission during critical periods. Likewise, your efforts in the day-to-day operation of Abidjan Bureau were a contributing factor in recognition of that bureau's performance by the presentation of a Meritorious Unit Citation. The letter of appreciation you received from the Manama Embassy for your assistance at Gulf Bureau in 1985 was further evidence of the honor and prestige your efforts brought to our service.

All of your friends and colleagues in FBIS join me in wishing you and Ann the very best. Warm regards and best wishes for the future.

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R. W. Manners
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